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### AFRICA.

*Report from Cape Colony—Plague—Examination for plague-infected rodents.*

The following reports by the medical officer of health for the Colony on the state of the outbreak of bubonic plague in the Cape Colony for the weeks ended May 7 and 14, 1904, is published for general information.

NOEL JANISCH,  
*Under Colonial Secretary.*

*Port Elizabeth.*—No case of plague was discovered during the week. At the plague hospital a native female was discharged; 5 cases remain under treatment. Two hundred and twenty-four rats and 157 mice were examined bacteriologically during the week, of which 40 rats and 6 mice proved to be plague infected.

*Other places.*—At East London, Uitenhage, Queenstown, King Williams Town, and Knysna no case of plague was discovered in man or animal.

### EXAMINATION OF RODENTS IN CAPE TOWN AND HARBOR BOARD AREA.

*Harbor board area and shipping in harbor.*—Number examined, 236; nothing found suspicious of plague.

*Cape Town municipal area.*—Number examined by the medical officer of health for the city, 386; nothing found suspicious of plague.

A. JOHN GREGORY,  
*Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.*

*Week ended May 16, 1904.*

*Port Elizabeth.*—One case of plague was discovered during the week, namely, a native male, on the 1st instant.

At the plague hospital 6 cases remain under treatment.

Three hundred and ninety-five rats and 127 mice were examined bacteriologically during the week, of which 4 rats proved to be plague infected.

*Other places.*—At East London, Uitenhage, Queenstown, King Williams Town, and Knysna, no case of plague was discovered in man or animal.

### EXAMINATION OF RODENTS IN CAPE TOWN AND HARBOR BOARD AREA.

*Harbor board area and shipping in harbor.*—Number examined, 223; nothing found suspicious of plague.

*Cape Town municipal area.*—Number examined by the medical officer of health for the city, 299; nothing found suspicious of plague.

A. JOHN GREGORY,  
*Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.*